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The greatest gift the hero leaves his race
  Is to have been a hero. Say we fail!
We feed the high traditions of the world
  And leave our spirit in our children's breasts.

—*Spanish Gypsy.*

This pamphlet includes the paper which won the prize offered by the Historical Department of the Virginia Division, United Daughters of the Confederacy in nineteen hundred and fifteen. Written by Mrs. W. C. N. Merchant, of the Rawley Martin Chapter, and other items compiled by Mrs. Cabell Smith from all papers submitted in the contest.

Virginia Leads.

"Virginia is the only State in the Union which can never hope to win a greater glory than that which already covers her as with a garment."—Houston Chronicle.

First charter granted in America—(History.)

First permanent English colony, Jamestown, May 13, 1607.—(History)

First religious service held in the first permanent English colony.—(History)

First English Minister, the Reverend Robert Hunt. (History.)

First farming by English people in the New world.—(History.)

First to discover the love apple (tomato)—(Rutherford.)

First Fort at Jamestown, completed June 15, 1607. —(Tyler.)

First church built by English people in North America, 1607.—(Tyler.)

Highest falls in the South, Crab Tree Falls.

First trial by jury September 17, 1607.—(Tyler).

First ship built by Englishmen in America, the Virginia, October 1607.—(Tyler.)

First book written in America, "The True Relation, etc,", 1608, by John Smith.—(Metcalf.)

First book printed in America.—(Rutherford.)

First marriage of English people in the New World, Anne Burras and John Laydon, December 1608.—(Tyler).

First Glass factory, 1608.—(Tyler.) ,,

First Thanksgiving Day, 1609.---(Rutherford.)

First physicians in an English colony in the New World Wilkerson and Wooten, Jamestown, 1608.—(Rutherford.)

First child born in the first permanent colony of England, Virginia Laydon, October, 1609.—(Tyler.)

First block house at Jamestown, 1609.—(Tyler.)

First mining of ore, 1609.—(Virginia Agri. Department.)

First American poem, "A Ballad of Virginia," R. Rich, 1610.—(Poets of Virginia, Painter.)

First wharf in the new world, 1611.—(Tyler.)

First victory of Americans over the crown, the amended charter 1609, written by Sir Edwin Sandys.—(Thos. Nelson Page.)

First English Sunday-School.—(Rutherford.)

First English hymn book.—(Rutherford.)

First tobacco raised by an Englishman, John Rolfe, 1612.—(Tyler.)

First Indian in an English colony to be converted to Christianity and baptized, Pocahontas, 1613.—(Tyler.)

First law posted enjoining attendance at divine worship.—(Thos. Nelson Page.)

First marriage in an English colony of white man and Indian, 1614, Pocahontas and John Rolfe.—(Tyler).

First salt works, 1614.—(Tyler.)

First church plate in America, 1617.—(Tyler.)

First to encourage the Pilgrim Fathers to settle in New England, Capt. John Smith, 1614.—(Matthew Page Andrews.)

First American Assembly, August 9, 1619.—(History.)

First Chaplin of the first General Assembly, Richard Buck.—(Tyler.)

First to attempt education of the Indians, 1619.—(Matthew Page Andrews.)

First colony to have a tavern.—(Rutherford.)

First to have a missionary to the Indians.—(Rutherford.)

First to undertake the establishment of a free school, 1619.—(Andrews).

First to sound the note of local self-government, 1619.—(Hall.)

First written Constitution for regulating the internal affairs of an English colony, 1619.—(Tyler.)

First negroes brought to an American colony, 1619, (these negroes were not slaves, but bound out after the manner of indentured white servants.—(Andrews.)

First charter for free government in America,. 1621.—(Hall.)

First colony to send warning to the Plymouth Colony after the massacre of 1622.—(Andrews.)

First silk worms raised in America, 1614.—(Tyler.)

First iron works in America, 1619.—(Tyler).

First wind mill in America, 1624.—(Tyler.)

First genuine romance in American literature, Capt.

John Smith's story of Pocahontas, History of Virginia. —(Metcalf.)

First water mill in the New World, 1621.—(Painter.)

First American theologian, Alexander Whitaker.—(Virginia Literature, Newman.)

Best original poems in America during the 17th century, anonymous, found at the end of the Burwell papers. —(Newman.)

First assertion on the American continent of the principle 'no taxation without representation," 1624.—(Tyler).

First professional poet of America, George Sandys, 1626 —(Newman.)

First colony to pass a law to regulate the levying of taxes by the Crown, 1624.—(Thomas Nelson Page.)

First college in America in its antecedents, Henrico, 1619, William and Mary.—(Wm. & Mary Quarterly.)

First brick house in the United States, John Harvey's 1630.—(Tyler.)

First State House, 1630.—(Tyler.)

First revolt against British authority, 1635.—(Tyler.)

First general law in regard to roads, 1632.—(Tyler.)

First colony to declare for freedom of trade, 1642.—(Thomas Nelson Page.)

First American Rebel, 1676, Nathaniel Bacon.—(Hall.)

First American martyr to liberty, Thomas Hansford. 1676.—(Hall.)

First Custom House in the New World, Yorktown.—(Letter, Clerk York Co.)

First to have colonial currency.—(Rutherford.)

First to leave a legacy to the poor.—(Rutherford.)

First hospital in America.—(Rutherford).

First orphan asylum.—(Rutherford.)

First to christanize the negro.—((Rutherford.)

First to demand the right to will one's property.—(Rutherford.)

First to have a post office.—(Rutherford.)

First to have a court house.—(Rutherford.)

First incorporated town in the United States, Williamsburg, 1632.—(Agricultural Department.)

First in accomplishments among Americans in Colonial times, Col. William Byrd.—((Tyler.)

First American college to secure a charter from the Crown under the seal of the Privy Council, William and Mary, 1693.—(William and Mary Quarterly.)

First and only American college to receive a Coat of Arms from the Herald College, 1694.—(Wm. and Mary Quarterly.)

First colony to have a library.—(Rutherford.)

First colony to have free libraries, 1676.—(Rutherford.)

First colony to have a circulating library.—(Rutherford.)

First American to be made a member of the Royal Society, Wm. Byrd.—(Makers of Virginia History, Chandler.)

First college in the United States to have a full Faculty, 1604.—(William and Mary Quarterly).

First colony to make brick.—(Rutherford.)

First colony to stand for religious freedom.—(Rutherford.)

First college to have a full professorship in Mathematics, 1712.—(Tyler.)

First college to have a full professorship in Natural Science, 1712.—(Tyler.)

First college in America to confer medallic prizes, 1771.—(William and Mary Quarterly).

First to establish an intercollegiate fraternity, 1776.—William and Mary.

First to have an elective system of study.

First to have the honor system.

First to have a school of modern languages.

First to have a school of Municipal and Constitutional Law.

First to teach political economy, 1779.—(William and Mary Quarterly).

First college in the United States to become a Univesity, William and Mary.—(Rutherford).

First commencement in America, William and Mary, 1700.

First colony to provide for female education, bill passed General Assembly, 1779.—(Thomas Nelson Page.)

First capitol, so called in the United States, Williamsburg, 1705.—(Tyler.)

First American Historian "retaining an original spirit, Robert Beverly.—(Professor Jameson, Carnegie Institute).

First regular iron furnace in North America, 1714.—(Chandler).

First Englishmen to cross the Blue Ridge Mountains, Governor Spottswood and his knights of the Golden Horse Shoe, 1716.—(Chandler.)

First school for Indians.—(Sydenstricker and Burger).

First school for the deaf and dumb, established by Mr. Bolling of Cobbs—(Letter on File).

First insane asylum, Williamsburg 1773.—(Sydenstricker and Burger).

First country in the world to endeavor to prohibit slavery 1769.—(Hall).

First country to declare the slave trade piracy.—(Thos. Nelson Page.)

Legislated against slavery the greatest number of times, 32.—(Rutherford.)

First man to "Ring the alarm bell" for the continent, Patrick Henry, the "Parson's Case" 1763.—(Sydenstricker and Burger.)

First colony to enter formal protest against the Stamp Act, May 29, 1765.—(Sydenstricker and Burger).

First to propose Committees of Correspondence, 1773. —(Hall.)

First colony to shed her blood in the Indian prelude to the Revolutionary struggle.—(Newman.)

First colony to call for a general congress, May 1774. —(Newman).

First to preside over a congress in America, Peyton Randolph, September 1, 1774.—(History.)

Prepared the "Address to the people of the Colonies" recommended by the General Congress, Richard Henry Lee —(Metcalf.)

First colony to authorize the arming and disciplning of troops preparatory to an armed resistance.—(Hall).

First volunteer company organized in the South which entered into actual service during the Revolution.—(The Spirit of the South, Stewart.)

First "Declaration of Independence" by any State, May 15, 1776.—(Thomas Nelson Page.)

Transmitted the above declaration to the General Congress, Benjamin Harrison.—(Thomas Nelson Page.)

First State to fly the Union flag from its capital, Williamsburg, May 17, 1776.—(Thomas Nelson Page.)

First State constitution adopted in America, June 29, 1776.—(Sydenstricker and Burger.)

A Virginia author of the "Bill of Rights," George Mason.—(History.)

First to move the adoption of the resolution that the United Colonies are, and of right ought to be free and in-

dependent; Richard Henry Lee, July 2, 1776.—(History.)

Writer of the Declaration of Independence, Thomas Jefferson.—(History.)

Greatest orators of the Revolutionary Period, Patrick Henry and Richard Lee.—(Sydenstricker and Burger.)

A Virginian author of the best known oration in American history, Patrick Henry.—(Metcalf.)

A Virginian moved the adoption of the Declaration of Independence, Richard Henry Lee.—(Metcalf).

First and only Commander-in-Chief, Continental Army, George Washington.—(History).

First man to hold the rank of General in America, Washington, Rank created in 1792.

First and only Commander in Chief Continental Navy, James Nicholson.—(Rutherford.)

First declaration of religious freedom, William Wirt Henry, 1776.—(Hall.)

A Virginian offered a plan of government for the States when the Articles of Confederation were found to be inadequate, Edmund Randolph.—(Ridpath).

A Virginian writer of the Constitution, James Madison. —(Rutherford).

A Virginian presided over the Convention held in Philadelphia, May 1787, George Washington.—(History.)

The most daring cavalry officer of the Revolution, (Richard Henry Lee (Light Horse Harry)—(Andrews.)

Hero of the greatest naval victory of the Revolution, John Paul Jones (settled in Virginia 1773.)—(Andrews).

First in the number of distinguished men in the Revolutionary period, no other colony furnished as many.—(Painter.)

First President of the United States, George Washington.—(History.)

Greatest number of Presidents of the United States, Washington, Jefferson, Madison, Monroe, Taylor, Harrison Tyler and Wilson.—(History).

First professor of law in the United States, George Wythe, 1779.—(Tyler.)

First State to enter great northwest Territory, 1779 —(Sydenstricker and Burger).

First Attorney General of the United States, Edmund Randolph.—(Ridpath.)

First Secretary of State, Thomas Jefferson.—(Chandler.)

First Secretary of Foreign affairs, Thomas Jefferson.—(Ridpath.)

First to establish on a firm and enduring basis the structure of American law, John Marshall.—(Ridpath).

First to offer the doctrine which has consecrated the United States to free institutions, James Monroe.—(Ridpath.)

Best known American Author, Thomas Jefferson.—(Newman.)

First to work out a scheme for public education, Thomas Jefferson.—(Metcalf).

First to use the expression "first in war, first in peace and first in the hearts of his countrymen" Richard Henry Lee.—(History.)

First to tell the hatchet story, Parson Weems.—(Southern Literature, Brevard.)

First statute for religious freedom of any government in the world offered by Thomas Jefferson 1785.—(Chandler.)

First Grand Lodge of Masons organized in America, Williamsburg, May 13, 1777.—(Letter of Past General Master on file.)

First Masonic Temple.—(Rutherford.)

Longer in continued use for masonic purposes than any other building in the United States, Richmond, Randolph Lodge, 1785.—(Tablet on building.)

First steamboat invented by James Rumsey, publicly sailed, 1787. His tomb is in London, England and states this fact.—(Sydenstricker and Burger).

First in the number of men who shaped the American Nation; Washington, Jefferson, Madison, Marshall and Hamilton, (four Virginians).—(Fiske.)

A Virginian "the idol of the people in the golden age of oratory in America", Henry Clay (born in Virginia and lived there until twenty)—(Metcalf).

Fiske says of Nicholas Ferrar: "Of all the figures that throng America's past he is the most solemnly beautiful".

First to prevent the stamping of the President's head on the National coin and substitute the figure of Liberty, John Page.—(Thomas Nelson Page).

First interest in English Histrical work in America, Thomas Jefferson.—(Henneman).

Most important college in the South, University of Virginia.—(Sydenstricker and Burger).

First range of academic structure, laid out as a whole

in the country, University of Virginia.—(Thomas Nelson Page).

First State University to establish the honor system. —(Professor Geology University).

First State University to establish the elective system of study.—(Professor Geology University).

First State University to teach Anglo-Saxon.—(Professor Geology University).

(The University of Virginia has never conferred an honorary degree).

Greater number of graduates in the Senate and House of Representatives than any other institution of learning, North or South.—(Stewart).

"The Virginia Dynasty" period, 1789-1825, only four years of which the President of the United States was other than a Virginian.—(Sydenstricker and Burger).

All the frigates used in the War of 1812 built at Norfolk, Va.—(Rutherford).

Leader of the "Cockade" 1812, Richard McRae.—(Rutherford).

First to import Merino sheep and Calcutta hogs.—(Stewart).

The greatest master of scathing and satircal invective of America, John Randolph of Roanoke.—(Newman).

First to use the reaping machine, Cyrus McCormick, inventor 1831.—(History).

First and best known Southern Magazine, Southern Literary Messenger, 1834.—(Sydenstricker and Burger).

First President of Texas and the leading spirit in that country's struggle for independence, General Sam Houston. —(Ridpath).

First and last commanding generals in the war with Mexico; General Zachery Taylor, General Winfield Scott. —(History).

First in the number of promotions received for galantry in the Mexican war, Thomas J. Jackson (Stonewall)—(Hall).

First State farmers' organization in 1843.—(Sydenstricker and Burger).

First scientific farmer, Edmund Ruffin.—(Sydenstricker and Burger).

First in number of States given to the Union; Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin and a part of Minnesota.—(J. William Jones).

First literary critic in America, Edgar Allen Poe.—(Newman).

First inventor of the detective story, Edgar Allen Poe.—(Newman).

First modern short story writer, Poe.—(Metcalf).

The greatest literary artist of the New World, Poe.—(Newman).

First student of the University of Virginia to publish a volume of poems, Thomas J. Semmes.—(Newman).

Best novel written in the South prior to the War between the states, The Virginia Comedians, John Esten Cooke.—(Newman).

Greatest humorist of the South, 1850-1876, Dr. George W. Bagby.—(Newman).

Best of the Southern war novelists, John Esten Cooke, —(Newman).

First nautical work of science by a naval officer, Matthew Fontaine Maury.—(Stewart).

Originator of the present system of weather observations, Maury.—(Stewart).

Inventor of the electric torpedo, Maury—(Stewart).

First to make possible the laying of the Atlantic Cable, Matthew Fontaine Maury.—(Hisory).

Ablest newspaper editor in the South during the War Between the States. John M. Daniel. Richmond Examiner. —(Newman).

First town in the South in wealth according to population at the opening of the war between the States, Warrenton, Va.—(The Women of the Debatable Land Hunter).

Most concise statement of the rights of secession, Southern States of the American Union, Curry.—(Newman).

First invasion of Southern soil, being the forerunner of the war between the States, John Brown's raid, October, 1859—(History).

First and only State to lose territory by the secession of counties, said counties denying the right of a State to secede, West Virginia.—(History).

First to propose a peace conference between delegates from the Northern and Southern States, February 4, 18 1. —(Andrews).

First federal soldier killed south of the Potomac river in the War between the States, Col. Ellsworth, First Zou-

aves, Alexandria, Va., May 24, 1861.—(Unwritten South, Stonebraker).

First Southern man killed south of the Potomac river in the War between the States, Thomas Jackson, May 24 1861.—(The Unwritten South, Stonebraker).

First Confederate soldier killed in the war between the States, John Q. Marr. Fairfax C. H., June 1st, 1861 —(History).

First Commander-in-Chief of the Union Army, Gen. Winfield Scott, —(History(.

Greatest military genius in America, Robert E. Lee. —(Chandler).

First great battle in the war between the States, First Manassas. July 21, 1861 —(History).

First to turn the tide of battle at Manassas, resulting in a victory for the South, "Stonewall Jackson.—(History).

First to conceive the idea of an iron clad vessel, John Mercer Brooke , —(Andrews).

First to revolutionize naval warfare, battle between the Virginia and naval fleet. March 8. 1862 —(History).

First battle between iron clads, March 9, 1862.

First and only company formed at a college or University, North or South, which fought from the beginning of the War between the States until its close, Liberty Hall Volunteers, (Washington and Lee University).—Major Wm. Anderson, Times Dtspatch. Feb, 21. 1915).

First and only instance in modern times where boys, from 14 to 17 were called upon to take an equal part with, and against, veterans in a militay campaign. 1864; Cadets from the Virginia Military Institute —(Andrews).

Greatest number of battles in the War between the States fought on Virginia soil, over five hundred. —(Rutherford).

First used submarines in warfare, Matthew Fontaine Maury, —(Mrs. N. V. Randolph, Times Dispatch, March 12 1915),

First use of explosives in an enemy's ship, John Maxwell of the Confederate secret service, John Maxwell is now an inmate of the Soldier's Home at Richmond, Va. March 12, 1915, —(Tims Dispatch).

Leader in the most famous charge of the War between the States, Charge of Pickett's Men at Gettysburg, —(History).

First man over the historic "Stone fence" in Pickett's

Charge, Rawley Martin, —(Life of Robert E. Lee, Fitzhugh Lee).

The most representative poetess of the Confederacy, Mrs. Margaret Preston, —(Metcalf).

The "Laureate of the Lost Cause", Father Ryan, —(Metcalf).

First among novelists in his portrayal of Southern gentlefolk, Thomas Nelson Page.—(Brevard.)

First memorial Association, Winchester, May 1865, —(Letter of President on file).

First among the Southern States in numder, prominence and activity of its historical Societies, seven of such societies, —(Henneman).

Best equipped Southern State for furniching subjects to the American Statesmen Series, —(Henneman)

First in numer of members of the American Historical Association, almost half the Southern membership.—(Henneman).

First Historical Society in the South, 1831 —(Henneman).

First enrolled member Daughters of the American Revolution, Mrs. Benjiman Purcell).

First Treasurer D. A. R., Mrs. Marshall McDonald. —(Letter Mrs. Purcell).

First to offer the resolution which resulted in the building of Continental Hall, Mrs. Marshall McDonald, —(Letter Mrs. Purcell).

First State organization United Daughters of Confederacy, October 21, 1895, —(U. D. C. Minutes).

First Chapter U. D. C. Organized north of the Mason and Dixon line, Gen. Dabney H. Maury Chapter, organized by the Grand Division of Virginia, January , 1897, now Chapter No. 41, Virginia Division —(U. D. C. Minutes).

First in membership among the Divisions U. D. C., 9597 members, —(Virginia Division Minutes).

First Chartered Chapter, Children of the Confederacy, Alexandria, Va., May 6, 1807.—(Charter on file).

First in amount of money raised by any state for the Jefferson Davis Monument, —(U. D. C. Minutes).

First and only division U. D. C. to decorate the graves of the Confederate dead at Arlington, October 1901.

First to suggest the erection of a Confederate Monument at Arlington, Mrs. James Y. Leigh, October 1901.

First in amount of money raised by any Division U. D.

C. for the Arlington Monument, —Va. Division Minutes 1914.

First to protest against the use of Elson's history in Southern schools, Southern Cross Chapter, Salem, Va., —(Va. Div. Minutes).

First to suggest the flag ceremony at U. D. C. Conventions, Mrs. Frank Anthony Walke.—(U. D. C. Minutes).

First Division U. D. C. to have a committee for the relief of Confederate Widows, Wives and Sisters, 1910.—(Virginia Division Minutes).

First to propose a relief Committee in the U. D. C., Mrs. Norman Randolph 1911, —(U. D. C. Minutes),

Greatest diplomat of the Spanish-American war period Gen. Fitzhugh Lee, —Hall).

Fired first salute at El Caney, Anderson —(Rutherford).

Greatest number of ships ever assembled in the Western Hemisphere, Hampton Roads, Jamestown Exposition, 1909.—(Sydenstricker and Burger).

Largest, deepest and safest harbor on the Atantic Coast, Hampton Roads.—(Geography).

Largest Natural Bridge.—(Geography).

Largest Natural Tunnel.—(Geography).

Most healthful belt in the United States, Piedmont Virginia.—(Government statistics).

First in the production of pyrite.—(State Geologist).

First in the production of manganese ore.—(State Geologist).

First in the production of mill stones—(State Geologist).

First in the production of soapstone.—(State Geologist).

First and only producer of rutile.—(State Geogolist).

Greatest amount and variety of marine food any body of water in the world, Chesapeake Bay.—(Virginia Agricultural Department).

First county in the United States in the amount of sweet potatoes raised, Accomac.—(Va. Agircultural Dept).

Best slate pencils in the world, Albermarle slate, free from grit.—(Virginia Agricultural Department).

Largest duck farm in the world, Warren County.—(Virginia Agricultural Department).

Largest and most valuable deposits of salt and plaster

in the United States, Smyth County.—(Virginia Agricultural Department).

First and only state to export cattle to foreign markets direct from pasture fields.—(Va. Agri. Dept.)

First and only arsnic mine in North America, Floyd County.—(Virginia Agricultural Department).

Finest oysters, Lynnhaven Bay.—(Geography).

Greatest number of crabs.—(Virginia Agricultural Department).

Greatest trucking section in the world, Tidewater Virginia.—Virginia Agricultural Department).

Greatest number of medicinal spring resorts.—Virginia Agricultural Department).

First in quality of iron, brings best prices at Northern forges.—(Thomas Nelson Page).

First in quality of coal, gives greatest speed on ocean liners.—(Thomas Nelson Page).

Greatest port for shipping coal in the world, Hampton Roads.—(Virginia Agricultural Department).

Largest alfalfa farm in the east.—(Virginia Agricultural Department).

Finest apples in the world, Albemarle Pippins.—(Virginia Agricultural Department).

First in quantity and quality of peanuts—(Virginia Agricultural Department).

First to use peanuts as food, Mr. Thomas Rowland, Norfolk, Va.—(Sec. Chamber of Commerce).

Greatest coal exporting port in America, Norfolk, Va. —(Sec. Chamber of Commerce).

Heaveist freight trains in the world run into Norfolk. —(Chamber of Commerce).

Largest Fortress in America, Fortress Monroe.—Chamber of Commerce, Norfolk).

Largest shipbuilding plant, Newport News.—(Chamber of Commerce, Norfolk).

Largest dry docks, Newport News.—(Chamber of Commerce).

Largest cigarette factory in the world, Richmond.—(Chamber of Commerce).

Largest cedar works in the world, Richmond.—(Chamber of Commerce).

Largest baking powder works in the world, Richmond. —(Chamber of Commerce).

Largest factory for the production of antique furni-

ture in the world, Richmond.—(Chamber of Commerce).

Largest bottled flavoring extract plant in the world, Richmond.—(Chamber of Commerce).

Largest blotting paper industry in America, Richmond. —(Chamber of Commerce).

Largest bank in the South, Richmond.—(Chamber of Commerce).

Leading theological institution of the Southern Presbyterian Church, Richmond.—(Chamber of Commerce).

Leading medical college in the southeast.—(Chamber of Commerce).

Largest surplus in proportion to its capital any bank in the United States, Farmers Bank of Nansemond.—(Banker).

Largest loose leaf tobacco market in the world, Danville.—(Henmig's Geography).

First in quality of tobacco raised in the United States, Virginia Leaf.—(Virginia Agricultural Department).

Largest independent cotton mills in the South, Danville.—(Board of Trade).

Largest market for Spanish peanuts in the United States, Petersburg.—(Chamber of Commerce).

Greatest number of trunks and traveling bags manufactured by any city in the world, Petersburg.—(Chamber of Commerce).

First in quantity of tobacco maunfactured for export, Petersburg.—(Chamber of Commerce).

First in number of cigarettes manufactured for export, Petersburg.—(Chamber of Commerce).

Largest woolen mills south of the Potomac River, Charlottesville.—(Virginia Agricultural Department).

More shoes made in Lynchburg than in all the remaining South combined.—(Chamber of Commerce, Lynchburg).

Largest tanning extract mill in the world, Lynchburg —(Chamber of Commerce).

First and only exclusive wholesale china and crockery business in the south, Lynchburg.—(Chamber of Commerce).

First and only college for women in the South which is clasified in "Division A" by the United States Bureau of Education, Randolph-Macon Woman's Colege.—(Chamber of Commerce, Lynchburg).

First Ambassador to Spain, Joseph E. Willard.—(History).

First and only State University to offer scholarships to all State Divisions U. D. C., 22; University of Virginia. —(Action Board of Visitors, March 1915).

First to present the "Currency Bill" in the Senate, Senator Owen, Oklahoma (by birth a Virginian.—(Congressional Record).

First to present the currency bill in the House, Congressman Carter Glass.—(Congressional Record).

Greatest historian of Southern birth, Woodrow Wilson. —(Newman).

Inventor of cap for peanut shocks, William P. Lifsey. —(Patent Office).

Largest warship in the history of the world, the Pennsylvania, now being build at Newport News.

First President of Council, Edward Maria Winfield.—(History).

First book written, Whitaker's "Good Newes"—(History).

First book printed, Sandy's Translation of Ovid's Metamorphosis.—(History).

First History—Smith's True Relation.—(History).

First Map, Smith's 1612.—(History).

First Narrative, Strachey's "True Repertory" (Foundation for Shakespeare's Tempest.—(Cooke).

Virginia the only country in the new world to furnish inspiration for this great dramatist.

First place in New World to have poem written about it Drayton's 'Lines to Virginia".—(Cooke).

First college charter, Henricus (1616) planned by George Sandys and George Thorpe, prevented by Indian Massacre.—(Cooke).

First poet, George Sandys, whom Dryden called "Best versifier of the age".—(Preston).

First Constitution ever written, Edwin Sandys, 1619. —(Cooke).

First water-mill, 1621, George Sandys and George Wyatt built.—(Cooke).

First free school, endowed by Benjamin Sym, 1634.—(Cooke).

First Indian Massacre, 1622.—(Cooke).

First people's tax (two barrels and one-half of corn for public granary).—(Cooke).

First church bell, used by Richard Bucke who succeeded Hunt.—(Cooke).

First temperance law, 1619. The Assembly made it unlawful for a man to get drunk.—(Cooke).

First to settle North Carolina, Roger Green, 1653.—(Hill).

First to establish permanent settlement on the Cumberland River, John Robertson.—(Hill).

First book on Natural History, written by John Baminster 1686—Title "Curosities of Virginia".—(Library of Southern Literature).

First to explore Cumberland River, Dr. Thomas Walker 1750.—(South in the Building of the Nation).

First Governor of Tennessee, John Sevier.—(Hill).

First theatrical performance, 1752, when the Virginia Company of comedians came over in the ship "Charming Sally" and acted "Shakespeare" and "Congreve".—(Cooke).

First to write a play, William Berkley, "The Lost Lady." was played in London.—(Cooke).

First missionary sent to sister colony, William Edmundson, sent to N. C. in 1672.—(Hill).

First woman to be the wife of three Governors, Francis, who married Governor Stephens of Albermarle, Governor Berkley of Virginia, and Governor Ludwell of North Carolina.—(Hill).

First to receive a present from an English Queen, Anne sent over a bell and communion service to Bruton Church. —(Cooke).

First Governor of North Carolina, William Drummond. —(Hill).

First to introduce writ of Habeas Corpus, Alexander Spotswood.—(Cooke).

First to appoint a Postmaster, Alexander Spotswood, appointed Benjamin Franklin.L(Cooke).

First licensed minister of Presbyterian faith, Frances Makemie, 1699.—(Library of Southern Literature).

First warehouse, built by William Byrd, 1679.—(Cooke).

First shot fired in French and Indian war, Washington, near fort Duquesne.—(Cooke).

First woman Historian, Mrs. Ann Cotton of "Q" Creek. —(Cooke).

First girl heroine, Elizabeth Zane.—(Magill).

First to have coach presented him by a king, Lord Botetourt (presented by George III—1769.—(Cooke).

First fortress protected by women "White Aprons" at Jamestown.—Cooke).

First to appropriate money to build a "palace" for the Governor, Burgesses appropriated £2000 to build house for Governor Spotswood.—(Cooke).

First to capture the pirate Blackbeard, St. Robert Maynard sent by Spotswood.—(Lee).

First to denounce the Regicides as murderers.—(Lee).

First Southern "Priscilla", Miss Betsy Hansford who married Rev. John Camm.—(Cooke).

First great southern educator, James Blair.—(Library of Southern Literature).

First and only man to teach five of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, Rev. James Maury.—(Cooke).

First to have celebrated architect draw plans, Sir Christopher Wren drew the plans for William and Marry College. —(Cooke).

First to preserve colonial records, Nicholas Ferrar.—(Fiske).

First in the United States to collect a private library, William Byrd.—(Fiske).

First, or among the first, surveyor generals appointed by the king, Zachary Taylor (ancestor of the President of that name.—(Cooke).

First to have its "shores ravished by a hostile foe", Dunmore in the ship "Fowey".—(Cooke).

First to cross the American continent, Meriwether Lewis and William Clark.—(Lee).

First professor of Mathematics in America, Rev. Hugh Jones at William and Mary.—(Library of Southern Literature).

First horse racing in 1737.—(South in Building of the Nation).

First quarantine against yellow fever, 1722.—(South in the Building of the Nation).

First to discover the relation of mosquito to yellow fever, Dr. Walter Reed—(South in the Building of the Nation)|

First "Long Parliment" in the New World, Burgesses, 1660-1676.—(Cooke).

First woman to appear before an Assembly, Queen of of the Pamunkey Indians appeared before the House of Burgesses.—(Cooke).

First Declaration of Independence in America, signed

by Bacon's Followers, August 3, 1676.—(Cooke).

First Scientific sociologist, George Fitzhugh.—(Library of Southern Literature).

First woman in New World to petition King for redress of grievance, Sarah Drummond.—(Hill).

First to invent the use of steam for distilling spirits, Dr. Samuel Brown.—(Library of Southern Literature).

First in America to make a coat worn by an English king Charles II wore at his coronation a coat or robe made of Virginia silk.—(Cooke).

First manuel training school. In 1668 the House of Burgesses ordered that "In each County there be built houses for educating poor children in the knowledge of spinning, weaving and other useful occupations.—(Cooke.)

First revolutionary battle fought on American soil, Bloody Run 1676, commanded by Bacon.—(Cooke).

First private hospital, Dr. William Cabell's.—(South in the Building of the Nation).

First triphine bone for abscess, Dr. Thomas Walker of Albemarle.—(South in the Building of the Nation).

First impulse to the American Revolution, Resistance to the Stamp Act, 1765.

First Governor of an Idependent State in the world, Patrick Henry.—(Cabell's and their Kin).

First Baptist Preacher of note, John Leland of Orange.—(Library of Southern Literature).

First to attempt to unite all the Colonies and put himself at the head, Nicholson. 1700.—(Cooke).

First famous "Coffee House" in America, the Apollo Room of the Old Raleigh Tavern, Williamsburg.—(Cooke).

First to be called "The hot bed of the Rebellion", Williamsburg.—(Cooke).

First "Antiquary" of the New World, Richard Bland. —(Cooke).

First to discover Kentucky, Capt. Thomas Batts sent by Governor Berkeley, 1671.—(South in Building of the Nation).

First to build house in Kentucky, Dr. Thomas Walker.—(Hill).

First short-horn cattle imported, 1793.—(The South in the Building of the Nation).

First witch in the South, Grace Sherwood, 1705.—(History).

First Bishop, Dr. Griffith, 1786.—(Hill).

First thoroughbred horse, "Bulle Rock", imported by Patton and Gist, 1730.—(The South in the Building of the Nation).

First to propose committee of Correspondence, Dabney Carr.—(History).

First to compose this committee, Robert Carter Nicholson, Richard Bland, Richard Henry Lee, Benj. Harrison, Edmund Pendleton, Patrick Henry, Dudley Diddes, Dabney Carr, Archibald Carey, Thomas Jefferson.—(History).

First to elect delegates to Continental Congres, August 11, 1775. Delegates, Peyton Randolph, Richard Henry Lee, George Washington, Patrick Henry, Richard Bland, Benjaman Harrison, Enmund Pendleton.—(History).

First committee of safety, Edmund Pendleton, George Mason, John Page, Thomas Ludwell Lee, Paul Carrington, Dudley Gigges, William Cabell, Carter Braxton, James Mercer, John Tabb.—(History).

First Republican Constitution adopted in America Written by George Mason, adopted June 29th, 1776.—(History).

First man to feed Washington's whole army a week, Mann Page.—(Cooke).

First to use American Flag, Washington, January 1, 1776.

First independent Convention at Old St. John's Church, when Patrick Henry said "Give me liberty etc."

First to use the expression "Fellow-citizen," Patrick Henry.—(Morgan).

First man to supply one thousand horses and $200,000 to the Continental army, Thomas Nelson.—(Cooke).

First to give her jewels for the patriotic cause, Sarah Carey.—(Cooke).

First to have foreign novelist described in fiction, Thackeray's "Virginians. (John P. Kenendy wrote chapter IV of this book.)

First to turn the gun against his own home because it sheltered a hostile foe, Thomas Nelson. (William Drummond is said to have set fire to his home at Jamestown for the same reason years before)—(History).

First Paul Revere of the South, Jack Jewett, who rode to warn Thomas Jefferson of the coming of the British.—(Albemarle Chapter U. D. C.)

First to keep weather record. Jefferson.—(History).

First survey of State line, William Byrd, assisted by

William Dandridge and Richard Fitzwilliams surveyed N. C. Line.—(Cooke).

First minute men of the Revolution commanded by John Marshall.—(Cooke).

First president of Emancipation Society, James Monroe.—(Cooke).

First native born American Governor, Hon. Thomas Lee.—(Library of Southern Literature).

First native born historian, Robert Beverly.—(Library of Southern Literature).

First to send out twenty-seven soldiers of the Revolution, two Attorney-Generals, twenty members of Congress fifteen Senators, seventeen governors, thirty-sven Judges, a Lieutenant-General and other officers. Two Commodores, twelve professors, four signers of the Declaration, seven cabinet officers, a chief justice, and three Presidents, William and Mary College.—(Morgan).

First Historian, General U. D. C. Mrs. J. Enders Robinson.—(U. D. C Minutes).

First Author to write for deaf mutes, John A Jacobs. —(Library of Southern Literature).

First Bishop of Methodist Church in America,Francis Asbury, (Traveled 270,000 miles on horseback).—(Library of Southern Literature).

First bill authorizing Coast Survey, passed under Thomas Jefferson The first head of this survey was Ferdinand R. Hassler.—(South in Building of the Nation).

First to be sent to put down Whiskey Rebellion, 'Light Horse" Harry Lee.—(History).

First mint planned by Thomas Jefferson 1787.—(History).

First Penitentiary system, 1796.—(History).

First to introduce the system of decimal currency, Thomas Jefferson.—(History).

First secretary of interior. Thomas Ewing.—(History).

First man to be chief Justice for thirty-five years, John Marshall.—(History).

First University in New World, University of Virginia 1819.—(History).

First great contribution to American Historical Literature Marshall's "Life of Washington".—(Library of Southern Literature).

First biography told by anecdotes, Parson's Weem's "Life of Washington".—(Library of Southern Literature).

First Military Biography, "Memoirs of the War in the Southern Department of the United States" (1809) by General Henry Lee.—(Library of Southern Literature).

First geneological work, Meade's "Old Churches, Ministers and Families of Virginia.—(Library of Southern Literature).

First Theologian of his day, Dr. Archibald Alexander. —(Library of Southern Literature).

First to conquer Texas, Samuel Houston.

First to suggest Library of Congress Jefferson.

First Historical society in South, 1831.—(Library of Southern Literature).

First great American poet, Edgar A. Poe.—(Library of Southern Literature).

First great writer of negro dialect, Thomas Nelson Page.—(Library of Southern Literature).

First Romances of the Confederacy "Mohun," Surry of Eagles Nest," Etc., John Esten Cooke.

First 'American Cicero'" Richard Henry Lee.—(Cooke)

First States admitted to U. S., Vermont and Kentucky. (George Washington, President).—(History).

First to purchase Florida, (James Monroe, President. —(History).

First "Farewell Address" Washington, 1796.—(History).

First to fire a gun at Fort Sumpter, Edmund Ruffin, he was allowed this privilege as he was the oldest member enrolled.—(Library of Southern Literature).

First Medical Society in United States, Lexington. —(Library of Southern Literature).

First governor of Louisiana, W. C. C. Claiborne.—(History).

First to prove the existence of oxygen in the sun William Draper.—(Library of Southern Literature).

First to have a memorial window in a colored church, Stonewall Jackson at Roanoke, Va.—(Wm. Watts Chapter U. D. C.)

First to discover the value of marl as a fertilizer, Edmund Ruffin (this added millions of dollars to the value of farms in Eastern Virginia and elsewhere.—(Virginia Agricultural Report).

First to secure 70,000 bibles for confederate soldiers. —(Library of Southern Literature).

First to have great statue of so many famous men

Washington statue in Richmond, surrounded by Mason, Jefferson, Lewis, Marshall and Henry.—(History).

First man to be offered the presidency of the Universi- of Virginia, Woodrow Wilson 1898.—(Official Correspondence, Gov. Tyler).

First Anti-Mason candidate for President, William Wirt.—(Lee).

First to have three hundred and fifty battles and skirmishes within its borders during the war between states, see Chesapeake and Ohio R. R. map with complete list.

First to have its fields so devastated that a crow flying over had to carry its rations.—(History).

First to have a statue to the President of the Confederacy.—(History).

First President of the American Medical Association, Dr. Nathaniel Chapman.—(Library of Southern Literature).

First Bishop of North Carolina, John Stark Ravenscroft.—(Hill).

First ti pass resolutions against Alien and Seditions Laws. 1798.—(History).

First men tried under these laws, John Thompson Callanger. 1800.—(History).

First trial under the constitution for treason, Burr at Richmond.—(History).

First to make Louisiana purchase, Thomas Jefferson President. The greatest addition to any territory acquired without blood sheed.—(History).

First Chemist, Emmet of University of Virginia.—(Library of Southern Literature).

First work in Physics. John W. Draper , Hampden-Sydney.—(Library of Southern Literature).

First to use phrase "Mason and Dixon Line" John Randolph of Roanoke.

First marble statue in U. S.. Lord Botetourt in front of William and Mary College.—(Cooke).

First Governor of Alabama, William Wyatt Bibb.—(History).

First to cause removal of three Governors, Andros, Nicholson and Spotswood. James Blair.—(Cooke).

First American to win Michael Beer prize, Sir Moses Ezekiel, (Confederate Veteran).

First state in South to require railroads to equip stations with telephones.—(The South in the Building of the Nation).

First in United States to give instruction in Economic History, Prof. G. F. Holmes at University of Virginia.—(The South in the Building of the Nation).

First in the South to establish Mutual Telegraph system.—(Ibid).

First electric street car, Richmond, installed by F. F. Sprague, 1887.—(Ibid).

Greatest negro orator and educator, Booker T. Washington, born at Hales Ford, Franklin County.—(History).

First Consul General of Cuba, Fitzhugh Lee.—(History).

First to take a mesage to Gracia-Rowan.—(Elbert Hubbard).

Gave to the Continental Army; Brigadier-Generals, Washington, Morgan, Charles Scott, Mulenberg, Edward Stevens, Hugh Mercer, Robert Lawson, William Woolford, William Campbell, Thomas Nelson, George Weeden, Colonels: Henry Lee (Light Horse Harry), William Washington, Theodric Bland, George Bayler, Charles Harrison Confederate Generals: Robert E. Lee, Joseph E. Johnston, Samuel Cooper. Lieutenant-Generals: Jackson, Hill, Pemberton, Early. Major-Generals: Heath. A. S. Johnson, Kemper, Fitzhugh Lee, G. W. C. Lee. W. H. F. Lee, Lomax, Magruder, Mahone, Maury, Pickett, Rhodes, Rosser, Smith, Stevens, Stuart, Taliaferro.

Virginia has in the Hall of Fame, Washington, Jefferson, Marshall, Madison, Monroe, Robert E. Lee, Henry Clay.—(Newspaper files).

Six counties produces 30,000,000 pounds of tobacco in one year.—(Agricultural Report).

Nearly two thirds of the manganese in the U. S. is produced here.—(Agricultural Report).

Corundum has been found in four places in the world, one of these places is in Virginia.—(Agricultural Report).

More than one-half of the soapstone and talc used in the U. S. is taken from Virginia quarries.—(Agricultural Report).

One apple tree in Patrick County produced one hundred thirty-two bushels in one season.—(Agricultural Report).

A single acre of Albemarle pippins has yielded one thousand dollars worth of fruit in a season.—(Agricultural Report).

Bloodiest battle of war between States, Antietam.

Only statue of Washington modeled from life. Houdon's in Richmond.—(History).

Largest fertilizer plant, Virginia-Carolina Chemical works, Richmond.

Oldest church now in use in America Bruton Church, built 1750.—(Mary Johnston).

Most daring confederate raider, John S. Mosby.--(Newspaper Files).

Largest confederate Army assembled at Seven Days Battle.—(History).

Best educated man, Lewis Burwell who was said to have embraced almost every branch of human knowledge in the circle of his studies.—(Cooke).

Largest zinc works in the world, Pulaski.

Lost more men than any other Military School (even West Point) in war between States, V. M. I.

Greatest army of the world, Army of Northern Va.

Lost by Slaves $225,000,000 (451,000 slaves).

First marriage west of the Alleghanies, Mary Draper and William Ingles.—(Trans Alleghany Pioneers).

Oldest Confederate General, Samuel Cooper.—(History)

First to make a confederate flag, Constance Carey, in 1861.—(In War Songs and Poems of the Southern Confederacy, by H. M. Wharton, Page 389).

Most powerful regular fortification on the Continent, Fortress Monroe. (Prison Life of Jefferson Davis, Page 22).

It is said of William Cocke that "No other American has participated in the making of so many constitutions or represented so many Constituencies".—(Library of Southern Literature).

First A. M. of the University of Virginia, Henry Tutwiler.

Chairman of Peace Conference sent to Washington in 1861, John Tyler.

First Agricultural report Edmund Ruffins, 1843.

First white man to see Great Salt Lake, James Bridges, born in Richmond, Virginia.

Oldest enscribed tomb in America is in Prince William County. Virginia, date 1608.

Only natural tunnel in the world used as a R. R. bed in Scott County.

First blood shed in Spanish American War, John Gibbs. —(Newspapers).

First to explore from San Franscisco to Sacramento, John S. Freemont.—(History).

First to discover phosphate deposits in Eastern N. C. and tin ore in Western N. C., Charles William Dabney.—(Library of Southern Literature).

Signed the Ashburton treaty, John Tyler.

First to establish the "Manufacture's Record, Richard H. Edmonds.—(Library of Southern Literature).

Factory for making largest steel pipe, Lynchburg.—(Manufacture's Record).

First neutrality proclamation, made by Washington, Answer to X. Y. Z. papers.—(History).

Greatest pianist in the South, John Powell.—(Times-Dispatch).

First to have vital statistics.—(South in the Building of the Nation).

First vice president who became President, John Tyler.—(History).

First newspaper in the South, Virginia Gazette (edited by William Parks in 1736).

First American King, Powhatan, crowned by Newport in 1608.—(Cooke).

First complete set of laws ever published in U. S. "Statutes at Large" by William Waller Hening.—(Library of Southern Literature).

First female spy, Miss Antonio Ford of Fairfax.

First floating mine invented by Thomas Welden.

First Episcopal Bishop in America (James Madison, cousin of the president.)—(Library of Southern Literature)

First to adopt lecture system in school, Dr. William Small of William and Mary.

First to declare themselves independent of Great Britain at a public meeting, the citizens of Leedstown, Westmoreland Co., Feb. 27, 1766.—(Va. History Society).

First gold discovered in the U. S. on Rappahannock River in 1784.—(Thomas Jefferson's notes).

Thomas Cooper of Henry County, Virginia, invented a roller cotton gin in 1793.—(Confederate Veteran).

Signed Constitution from Virginia: George Washington, Edmund Randoplh, John Blair, James Madison, Geo. Mason, George Wythe.

First gun fired at Santiago.—(Calvin Anderson).

First Woman to save portraits and state papers in war of 1812, Dolly Madison.—(History).

First salute fired at El Caney.—(Calvin Anderson

Engine of first Trans-Atlantic steamship built by Daniel Dodd.

Inventor of chemical fire-extiguisher, Wm. A. Graham of Virginia.

First R. R. tunnel in the world (through Blue Ridge Mountains) built by Col. Crozet.

Greatest coal piers in the world are at Lambert's Point.—(Man. Record).

Largest smelter in the United States, in West Norfolk.—(Manufactuerer's Record).

Writers of Best Sellers, Mary Johnston, Ellen Glasgow, Kate Langeley Bosher, Henry Sydon Harrison.

First Democratic President, Jefferson.

First inter-collegiate fraternity, Phi-Beta-Kappa, 1776.

Most famous cemetery in the South, Hollywood, Richmond.

First Post-master General admitted to President's Cabinet, W. T. Barry (born in Virginia)—(History).

First chair of law, occupied by George Wythe, 1779, William and Mary.—(Library of Southern Literature).

Greatest tragedian of modern times, Edwin Booth, —(New York Times).

Most interesting museum in the South—Confederate Museum in Richmond.

Twenty-two States have been annexed to the United States through the efforts of four Virginians, Jefferson, Monroe, Tyler and Winfield Scott, who conquered Mexico.

Most prominent man in Texan struggle for independence. Stephen Austin.

Dr. Hunter McGuire of Virginia was the first to propose that physicians be regarded as non-belligerents, free to serve the wounded on both sides—a forerunner of the Red Cross Physician of today.

Greatest achievement in the History of America from a military stand point considering the small number of men engaged and the importance of results—Clark's Conquest of the Northwest 1778-9.

Danville, Virginia, was the first city in the United States to own its electric lighting plant.

Most unique statue in America is the one of Stonewall Jackson which was presented by his English admirers and is in Richmond, Virginia.

In 1909 the census reports on the lumber industry

shows that Virginia was operating more saw-mills than any state in the Union, 3511 in all.

First Governor of Mississippi—Meriweather Lewis.

There are more scrub pines in Virginia than any other state.—(R. C. Jones, State Forester).

Lexington, Virginia contains the tombs of Gen. Lee and Gen. Jackson.

The works at Money Point, Virginia for creosoting lumber are the largest, if not the only works of the kind in the United States.

The Rock of Chicamauga was Gen. Thomas of Virginia.

Washington's monument by Crawford is considered by many critics the finest of its kind in the world.

First library in America—Rev. Robert Hunt's destroyed by fire in 1608.—(Dickenson).

First Anglo-Saxon Grammar written in U. S. by Louis Klypstein.—(Henniman).

Patrick Henry, the Prophet of the Revolution, author of the first Virginia resolutions against the Stamp Act will have the glory with posterity of beginning and ending the Revolution.—(John Adams).

Greatest Cavalry General of the Continental Army Light Horse Harry Lee.

Daniel Morgan of Virginia was called the "Thunderbolt of the Revolution" and "Washington's Right Arm." His riflemen were the first to enlist in the Continetal Army.

Under Madison, American Independence on the seas was established by the War of 1812.

St. George Tucker, on account of his legal writings was called the American Blackstone.—(Painter).

James Monroe, author of the Monroe Doctrine, "America for Americans".

Robert E. Lee, "The very greatest of all the great captains that English speaking people have brought forth". —(Roosevelt).

"Stonewall Jackson's Valley Campaign was the finest specimen of strategy and tactics ever seen in the world". —(McGuire).

"The Army of Northern Virginia had more force and power than any other army in the world.—(McGuire).

Last battle of war between states, Appomatox.

First wind and current chart.—(Maury).

First study of Gulf stream.—(Maury).

First naval submarine battery service.—(Maury).

Largest paper and pulp mill in U. S. at Covington, Va. —(Department of Agriculture).

First School Fair in U. S. was held in Campbell County, Virginia.

The father of the Anti-duelling law, the first passed in this country after the Revolution was Gen. Samuel Blackburn.—(Howe).

"The first order of wisdom among those who acted on the theater of the Revolution" Jefferson said of Mason.

Made a desperate attempt to capture Benedict Arnold, John Campe.—(Howe).

Among the first if not the first Baptist preacher in America, John Waller.—(Howe).

Alexander Spotswood established the first post office in U. S. and mail was carried between Williamsburg and Philadelphia in eight or ten days.

At Cobbs, nine miles from Petersburg, was established the first school for deaf mutes.

Richmond, Virginia, has the first Battle Abbey.

Final battle of the Revolution, Yorktown.

The mother of Abraham Lincoln was Nancy Hanks of Virginia.

Author of most authentic work relating to Jerusalem, James Turner Barclay, (His daughter disguised herself as a Mohamedan and entered the tomb of Mohamed to secure pictures for this book).—(Tyler).

First man to oppose the practice of medicine without a license, Theodric Bland.—(Tyler).

Introduced the first bill for the occupation and settlement of Oregon, John Floyd.—(Tyler).

Originated and enacted the celebrated code called "Lynch Law", James Lynch.

(This did not mean hanging, but whipping or driving from the country).

Robert Alexander established the first classical school west of the Blue Ridge. This school subsequently became Liberty Hall Academy, afterwards Washington College, and now Washington and Lee University.—(Withers).

First company formed to improve rivers was James River Company, which was chartered in 1784 to deepen the James River.—(Smithey).

The first Railroad chartered in the U. S. in 1830 to build a road from Petersburg, Virginia, to Weldon, N. C.—(Smithey).

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